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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

With reference to the Official Action of April 29, 2008, made final, Applicants' response transmitted July 29, 2008, and the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2008, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks that are being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination.

This Amendment and Request for Continued Examination is accompanied by a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time. Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this response. **Remarks** begin on page 14 of this response.

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